## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

JAMEY MCKEE, No. 4:23-CV-00963

Plaintiff, (Chief Judge Brann)

v.

M. KNAPP, et al.,

Defendants.

## **ORDER**

**AND NOW**, this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of February 2024, in accordance with the accompanying Memorandum, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that:

- 1. Defendants' motion (Doc. 12) to dismiss pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 12(b)(6) is **GRANTED**.
- 2. Plaintiff's First Amendment retaliation claims are **DISMISSED** without prejudice for failure to state a claim upon which relief may be granted.
- 3. Plaintiff's official capacity claims are **DISMISSED** pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2)(B)(ii) for failure to state a claim upon which relief may be granted.
- 4. Within <u>21 days</u> from the date of this Order, Plaintiff, if desired, may file an amended complaint.
- 5. If no amended complaint is timely filed, dismissal of Plaintiff's retaliation claims will automatically convert to dismissal with prejudice and the Court will close this case.

BY THE COURT:

<u>s/Matthew W. Brann</u>Matthew W. BrannChief United States District Judge